Abstract

This invention provides a novel neurotrophic factor production promoter containing N-acetyl-L
pipecolic acid or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof as an active ingredient, which can be used for the prophylaxis or treatment of neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, spinal injury, Huntington's disease, cerebral infarction, head trauma, multiple sclerosis, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, diabetic or drug-induced peripheral neuropathy and retinal neuropathy, and the like.